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## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to a plug-in coupling for pipes which includes a base relative to which a pipe end can be fixed and which can be partially inserted into the pipe end. The coupling includes a sealing element, a sleeve linked with the base and a retaining element including retaining claws for fixing the pipe end which is disposed in the interior of the sleeve. An annular gap is configured between the base and the sleeve and receives the pipe end. The aim of the invention is to provide, while reducing production and assembly costs, a plug-in coupling of the aforementioned type which ensures a durable and reliable connection and prevents the pipe end from being damaged and the retaining claws from penetrating the pipe end too deeply. For this purpose, the retaining element includes a closed annular part and is integrated into the sleeve and fixed therein with said part. The sleeve includes radially inside the retaining element a support element with an outer supporting face on which the spring-elastic retaining elements are supported. The supporting face is mounted at a predetermined angle which opens up towards the free front sleeve end.